

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 97-464-W/S - ORDER NO. 98-580  
JULY 30, 1998

IN RE: Mark W. Erwin, Riverhills & Other	)	ORDER ADDRESSING
Lake Wylie Consumers,	)	BILLS TO CUSTOMERS
	)	WITH RATES UNDER BOND
Complainants,	)	
vs.	)	
	)	
Carolina Water Service, Inc.,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	
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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") on the verbal request of interested persons in the Riverhills subdivision of York County served by Carolina Water Service, Inc. ("CWS" or "the Company") that the bills of residential customers not only reflect the total monthly charge for sewer service but also reflect as a separate item the charges for sewer service of the amounts charged to the customers under bond.

By Commission Order No. 98-384, dated May 27, 1998, the Commission implemented a cap on sewer charges of 10,500 gallons for the months of May through September. CWS filed a Petition for Judicial Review of Order No. 98-384 and also filed a Motion with the Circuit Court to place rates into effect under bond pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-1-30 (Supp. 1997). Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-1-30

(Supp. 1997), the Circuit Court set a bond for CWS and issued an order which operates as a supersedeas to Order No. 98-384. The effect of the Circuit Court Order allows CWS to continue to charge residential customers within the Riverhills Subdivision pursuant to its existing rates prior to Order No. 98-384, subject to the obligation to make refunds should refunds be required after review of the Commission Orders on appeal. CWS subsequently filed a Petition for Rehearing or Reconsideration of Order No. 98-384, which the Commission denied by Order No. 98- 555, dated July 20, 1998.

The request before the Commission seeks to have the bills of the residential customers in the Riverhills Subdivision reflect not only the total monthly charges for sewer service but that the bills reflect, as a separate item, the charges for sewer service that are charged in excess of Commission Order No. 98-384. In other words, the request asks that the bills reflect, as a separate item, charges for sewer service that are in excess of the 10,500 cap for the months of May through September.

Upon consideration of this matter, the Commission believes and so finds that the request is reasonable and should be implemented. The Commission finds that the request that the bills reflect, as a separate item, the charges for sewer service of rates or charges under bond is in the public interest as such a item on the bill will allow the customers to easily keep a record of the amounts charged under bond.

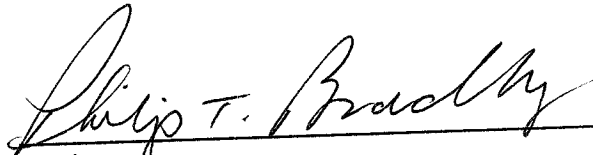
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. CWS shall provide bills to the residential customers in the Riverhills Subdivision of York County which reflect the total amount billed for sewer charges and

which reflect as a separate item the amount billed for sewer charges above the  
Commission ordered 10,500 gallon cap implemented by Commission Order No. 98-384.

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the  
Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
Chairman

ATTEST:



Acting Executive Director

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